

SENATE RESOLUTION 22

By Ketron

A RESOLUTION designating March 15–21, 2015, as “Tall Cedars Week” in Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body are pleased to recognize and designate March 15–21, 2015, as “Tall Cedars Week” in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, “Tall Cedars Week” will commemorate the Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America, a sterling organization that is dedicated to promoting a stronger bond within Freemasonry and raising awareness of muscular dystrophy and neuromuscular diseases; and

WHEREAS, with roots stretching back to 1843, the Tall Cedar Degree, originally known as “The Ancient and Honorable Rite of Humility,” was created by Master Masons as a way of promoting wider acquaintances and friendships among Freemasons; and

WHEREAS, incorporated as the Tall Cedars of Lebanon of the United States of America in 1902, and renamed the Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America in 1971 when a Forest was instituted in Canada, the members of the Tall Cedars have, in addition to their work in uniting Masons of all stripes, remained committed to supporting the search for a cure for muscular dystrophy and a number of other neuromuscular diseases; and

WHEREAS, the Tall Cedars of Lebanon promotes a wider degree of friendship and camaraderie throughout the Freemason fraternity and is dedicated to furthering the goals and tenets of Freemasonry, and its members pursue the organization’s creed of “fun, frolic, and fellowship” in their efforts to offer every Master Mason an opportunity to enjoy a fuller, more enriching life; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this august association be recognized and commended by this legislative body and this State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby designate March 15–21, 2015, as “Tall Cedars Week” in Tennessee, and encourage all Tennesseans to pause in their deliberations to consider the many contributions made by the members of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon of North America.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.